



Master of Health Administration

Fay W. Boozman

College of Public Health  
University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences

# Master of Health Administration (MHA)

The Master of Health Administration (MHA) program prepares students for careers as administrators or staff in the dynamic and diverse health care field, including positions in institutions and agencies involved in providing, financing, regulating, or insuring health care. The program provides specialized knowledge and management skills needed to understand and meet the leadership needs of complex, rapidly changing systems for health care services delivery.

The MHA program at UAMS is the only Health Administration program in Arkansas accredited by the Commission for Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education (CAHME).

## Application Deadline

At this time, the MHA program does not have a specific deadline for completed applications, but applicants are encouraged to provide all materials as soon as possible and preferably before the end of the spring semester for fall admission. International applicants have additional admission requirements and should refer to our website or contact our office for specific policies. The international student deadline for fall semester is March 1.

## Admission Requirements

1. Applicants must have the minimum of a U.S. baccalaureate degree equivalent (with a least a 2.75 GPA overall or a 3.00 GPA on a 4.0 scale in the last 60 hours of coursework) to be considered for admission.
2. The MHA program accepts applications processed through SOPHAS (Schools of Public Health Application Service) or HAMPCAS (Healthcare Administration,

Management, and Policy Centralized Application Service). Use SOPHAS if you plan to apply to several programs of the College of Public Health; otherwise use HAMPCAS. The web addresses are [www.sophas.org](http://www.sophas.org) and [www.hampcas.org](http://www.hampcas.org).

Additional application items to include:

- Official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended
- Official scores report for the GRE (COPH university code 6512, department code 0616) OR official scores report for the GMAT (COPH code OSF-3L-74) (We prefer applicants who score in the top 50th percentile or better on the verbal section of the GRE/GMAT, and above the 36th percentile on the quantitative section. The combined total score should be at least 300 on the GRE and 550 on the GMAT.)
- Current resume with contact information for two references

- Personal statement or letter of interest (500-700 words)
  - SOPHAS or HAMPCAS application fee
3. There is a separate College of Public Health supplemental application and processing fee. Go to [www.publichealth.uams.edu](http://www.publichealth.uams.edu) for application and fee information
  4. Personal interview with MHA faculty
  5. International students must also submit a WES foreign transcript evaluation and score a minimum of 90 on the IBT TOEFL. International students with an undergraduate degree from a U.S.-accredited institution will be exempt from the TOEFL requirement.

## Master of Health Administration Program Requirements

The Health Administration degree requires 51 graduate semester credit hours.

We offer full-time and part-time options. For sample part-time courses of study, view our website at [www.publichealth.uams.edu](http://www.publichealth.uams.edu) or contact the MHA Program office: (501) 526-6643

## Typical Course of Study

### FULL-TIME STUDENTS - 12 CREDIT HOUR SEQUENCE

#### Fall Year 1:

BIOS 5013: Biostatistics I

HPMT 5013 : The Health Care System HPMT 5114: Management of Health Care Organizations

HPMT 5134: Introduction to Health Systems Financial Management

#### Spring Year 1:

HPMT 5333: Applications in Health Systems Financial Management

HPMT 5344: Operations Management: Performance and Quality Improvement

HPMT 5124: Health Systems Strategic Planning

HPMT 5104: Health Economics

#### Summer Year 1:

HPMT 5285: Health Administration Residency  
or HPMT 5286: Management Project

#### Fall Year 2:

HPMT 5212: Health Information Systems for Administrators

HPMT 5583: Advanced Applications in Healthcare Management

HPMT 5343: Operations Management: Quality and Decision Analysis

HPMT 5223: Seminar in Human Resource Management

#### Spring Year 2:

HPMT 5201: Health Law

HPMT 5340: Management Capstone

EPID 5112: Epidemiology I

HPMT 5132: Health Policy



## About UAMS

UAMS is Arkansas' only academic health center and trains the majority of health care professionals in the state. Because UAMS Medical Center is a teaching hospital, the university stays at the forefront of knowledge and technology that benefit not only the citizens of Arkansas, but individuals from across the nation and world.

## About Little Rock

Recently named by Kiplinger's Magazine as the most livable city with a population of 1 million or less, Little Rock is Arkansas' capital and a hub for commerce, health care and culture. Nestled between the Ouachita Mountains and the Arkansas River, the city has the amenities of a larger metro area, but with a relaxed pace. It offers many attractions including the Clinton Presidential Center and Central High (a landmark of the early Civil Rights Movement), as well as the 88-mile urban Arkansas River Trail System and nightlife in the vibrant River Market District.

## Our Mission

The mission of the Fay W. Boozman College of Public Health is to improve the health and promote the well-being of individuals, families, and communities in Arkansas through education, research, and service.

For more information, download the application and eligibility requirements at [www.publichealth.uams.edu](http://www.publichealth.uams.edu)

## For More Information

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